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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL TUNGSTEN PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION (ITPA)

REF: (A) LA PAZ 2573; (B) LA PAZ 4457; (C) CANBERRA 4369

1. HOY DAILY OF JULY 5 CARRIED ACCOUNT OF INTERVIEW WITH CARLOS ITURRALDE, PRESIDENT ITPA, IN WHICH HE REPORTEDLY STATED THAT IN LAST MEETING OF ITPA IN LONDON, IT WAS AGREED THAT MINIMUM-MAXIMUM TUNGSTEN SALES PRICES AND FLEXIBLE SYSTEM OF TUNGSTEN EXPORT SALES WOULD BE ESTABLISHED. ADDED THESE INITIAL AGREEMENTS  
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AND THOSE IN PREPARATION FOR GEVEA ITPA MEETING SCHEDULED JULY

23-24 WILL FULFILL OBJECTIVES OF ITPA'S CREATION.

2. IN GENERAL REVIEW LEADING TO ITPA'S BIRTH, ITURRALDE SAID TUNGSTEN PRODUCERS 10 YEARS AGO AT UN LEVEL BEGAN TO SEEK ESTABLISHMENT OF MINIMUM - MAXIMUM TUNGSTEN PRICE TO PROTECT PRODUCERS OF EXPORTING COUNTRIES, BUT NO SATISFACTORY RESULTS OBTAINED BECUASE OF PRESSUES OF CONSUMING COUNTRIES ALLIED WITHIN UN. FOR THIS REASON PRODUCERS DECIDED TO FORM ITPA TO DISCUSS THEIR OWN PROBLEMS AND MEETING FOLLOWED IN LA PAZ APRIL 7, 1975 FORMING ITPA.

3. ITURRALDE SAID IN UNCTAD LONDON MEETING IN JUNE 1975, ITPA FORMULATED DOCUMENT FIXING MINIMUM-MAXIMUM TUNGSTEN AND TUNGSTEN MINERALS PRICES AND FIXED PENALTIES FOR IMPURITY CONTENTS WHICH BUYERS NOW DETERMINE CAPRICIOUSLY. THIS DOCUMENT, HE ADDED, WILL BE PRESENTED TO TUNGSTEN CONSUMING COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVES DURING JOINT PRODUCER-CONSUMER MEETING JULY 23-24 IN GENEVA. TUNGSTEN PRODUCERS WILL MEET JULY 25 TO EVALUATE RESULTS OF PRODUCER-CONSUMER MEETING.

4. ITURRALDE STATED THERE IS GOOD POSSIBILITY PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS WILL COME TO AN UNDERSTANDING OF JULY 23-24 MEETING TO PRESENT SOLID FRONT IN UNCTAD MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JULY 28 IN GENEVA, BECUASE IN THIS MEETING TUNGSTEN PRICES, PENALTIES AND OTHER ITPA PROPOSALS WILL BE AGREED ON BY GOVERNMENTS.  
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